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PROCEEDINGS

The first session of the Johnston District Baptist Association met with the Johnston Piny Grove Baptist church Oct. 13-16, 1886, and was called to order promptly at 10 o'clock A. M., by Rev. R. Johnson, who read and sang hymn 156, B. H. B., "God Moves in a Mysterious Way," and read the 15th Chapter of John's Gospel. Prayer by Rev. G. W. Perry.

The minutes of the Convention held at the Saint Amander Church, July 23, 1886, was read, and after much discussion, a part of the minutes were adopted.

The Churches and Delegates were next enrolled :

Good Samaritan—Antony Watson and Arthur Jones.

Selma—A. L. Wall, A. J. Allen, N. B. Moore.

Springfield—W. T. Mial, W. H. Lockyear, Y. Baucom.

Piny Grove—Wm. Saunders, Richmond Sanders.

Green Hill—Jack Hood.

Oakey Grove—Watt Durham, D. J. Judkins.

Wake Baptist Grove—W. M. Gales, J. A. King, Lee Whitaker, A. Seiler.

Rock Spring—J. C. Poole.

Lee's Cross-Roads—R. H. Hinton, S. H. Heath.

Mount Maria—Rev. John Jefferson.

On motion, the Introductory Sermon was appointed to be preached to-night at 7:30 o'clock, by Rev. P. T. Young.

On motion, the visiting brethren were invited to seats in the Association.

On motion, the committee sent from the Wake Association was received, and statements were made by brethren G. W. Perry, M. J. Joyner, Allen Thomas and C. Johnson, after which Rev. E. Blake made a statement, and showed what led to the organization of the Association, after which all parties were satisfied.

On motion, Rev. S. B. Smith and W. A. Jones were appointed a committee to write a letter to the Wake Association, and make known the reasons why the new Association was organized.

On motion, adjourned until 4 o'clock P. M. Prayer by Bro. M. J. Joyner.

FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION.

The Association met at 4 o'clock P. M., and opened with singing. Prayer by Rev. P. T. Young.

The minutes of the forenoon session were read and adopted.

On motion, the minutes of the convention was made the special order for to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

On motion, the committee on hours made their report, as follows :

Meet at 9:30 A. M., adjourn at 12:30 P. M. ; meet at 2 P. M., adjourn at 5 P. M. ; meet at 7:30 P. M., adjourn at pleasure.

R. JOHNSON,
GUILFORD POOLE,
WILLIAM SANDERS,
Committee.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Association met at 10 o'clock, Rev. R. Johnson in the chair. The Moderator read the 3d chapter of Romans. Sang hymn 281. Prayer by Rev. C. S. Sanders.

The minutes of the evening session were read and adopted.

On motion, the minutes of the Convention were read by sections, and adopted.

On motion, the Constitution and By-Laws of the Wake Association were read and adopted as the Constitution of this Association.

On motion, it was agreed that the second annual session of this Association shall convene with the Wake Baptist Grove church, at 10 o'clock A. M., on Wednesday before the third Sunday in October, 1887.

On motion, the Association adjourned. Prayer by A. Thomas.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment, and was opened with devotional exercises. Prayer by Rev. John Jefferson.

On motion, Bro. Ransom Jones's name was inserted in place of J. A. King's.

On motion, a committee of three on Finance was appointed, consisting of brethren S. B. Smith, A. L. Wall and J. C. Poole.

On motion, a committee on Letters was appointed, consisting of brethren N. B. Moore, Wm. Gales and S. H. Heath.

Adjourned until 8:30 to-morrow morning.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Association assembled at 8:30 o'clock, the Moderator in the chair. Opened with devotional exercises. Read Matthew, 5th chapter. Sang hymn 229, "Like Sheep, we Went Astray." Prayer by Bro. Wm. Gales.

On motion, the minutes of the past session were read and adopted, all except Saint Mary's church.

On motion, the church was received and adopted.

On motion, it was agreed that this Association be represented in the State Convention, and Rev. P. T. Young was, on motion, chosen as Delegate to said Convention.

On motion, \$2.75 was paid for the Delegate's expenses.

On motion, \$5.50 was paid to represent us in the State Convention.

It was moved and adopted, that the Delegates go home to their respective churches and get all the money they can and send it to the Moderator, in order to have the minutes printed at once.

On motion, the Clerk was paid \$3.00 from the treasury.

On motion, Rev. R. Johnson was paid \$2.00.

On motion, Bro. J. Jones was paid \$1.50.

On motion, Rev. S. B. Smith was appointed to preach the Introductory Sermon at the next meeting of the Association.

On motion, Rev. P. T. Young was elected Moderator of the Ministers' Meeting of the Association.

On motion, Rev. S. B. Smith was made his assistant.

On motion, it was agreed that all the Licentiate Ministers shall have all the privileges of the meetings except that of voting on an Ordained Minister's conduct; that all such matters shall be referred to his church.

On motion, the Treasurer paid all off, as was stated in the minutes.

On motion, the Association adjourned to meet at the Wake Baptist Grove church on Wednesday before the third Sunday in October, 1887.

On motion, Rev. E. B. Blake was elected Moderator. Bro.

Guilford Poole and Bro. Sanders were appointed a committee to conduct Rev. E. B. Blake to the chair, as the new Moderator of the Association.

On motion, a vote of thanks was tendered to Rev. R. R. Johnson for the kind manner in which he had presided over the body.

On motion, a vote of thanks was tendered to the church and friends for their kind treatment to the Delegates during the session.

The Committee on Place reported. (See report.)

On motion, the Treasurer was elected by acclamation.

After electing the officers for the ensuing year, the Constitution and By-Laws of the Wake Baptist Association were read by the Clerk.

A motion prevailed that the Constitution and By-Laws be adopted.

On motion, the Committee on Letters came to the table and reported, after which they were sent out. The Finance Committee also went out to receive the finances.

On motion, the Finance Committee reported as follows:

1. Springfield Church paid.....	\$ 4 05
2. Green Hill Church.....	1 35
3. Lee's Cross-Roads.....	1 32
4. Oak Grove.....	1 53
5. Good Samaritan.....	2 46
6. Selma.....	2 88
7. Wake Baptist.....	6 45
8. Piny Grove.....	3 83
9. Saint Mary's.....	60
10. Rock Spring.....	33
11. Mount Moriah.....	61

Total.....\$25 21

Rev. S. B. Smith was appointed to preach to-night.

Committee on Place appointed as follows: Bros. William Gales, Y. Baucom and William Sanders.

Committee on Place reported as follows: That we meet with the Wake Baptist Grove Church on Wednesday before the third Sunday in October, 1887, at 10 o'clock A. M.

E. B. BLAKE, MODERATOR.

W. A. JONES, Secretary.

SUNDAY MORNING'S PROGRAMME.

SELMA, N. C., January 29th, 1887.

The Examining Council, failing to get through its examination, met in the school-house to continue the same.

By appointment, Bro. Henry Johnson, of Selma, conducted services at the church.

The Council met, and continued its examination.

Reading a portion of Scriptures and prayer by Rev. James Chavis. Examination continued until 3 o'clock.

The applicants passing a satisfactory examination were ordained at Selma Baptist Church. The applicants were: Brethren J. C. Poole and W. A. Jones. The ordination took place in the church at 3 o'clock P. M.

The order of services was as follows:

Ordination Sermon, by Rev. Charles Thomas.

Prayer, by Rev. James Chavis.

Charges given by Rev. P. T. Young. Bible presented by Rev. E. B. Blake.

The day will be long remembered by those present.

E. B. BLAKE, MODERATOR.

S. B. SMITH, Secretary.

CONTRIBUTIONS SENT UP BY CHURCHES SINCE
THE ASSOCIATION.

Wake Piny Grove.....	\$ 1 09
Springfield.....	2 20
Good Samaritan.....	1 00
Mt. Moriah (by Sister Phoebe A. Smith).....	75
Selma Church.....	11 00

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I. This body shall be denominated and known as the "JOHNSTON DISTRICT BAPTIST ASSOCIATION."

ART. II. The object of this Association shall be the promotion of Christ's kingdom among men; and the means of accomplishing this shall be in strict conformity to the New Testament.

ART. III. This Association shall be composed of delegates chosen by the churches connected with it—each church being entitled to two or more delegates. Ministers who are members of the churches connected with this body shall be considered members of the Association.

ART. IV. The delegates from each church shall bear a letter certifying their appointment, giving an account of the condition of the church, and a statement of all funds contributed for benevolent purposes during the year.

ART. V. The officers of this Association shall be Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer and Auditor, who shall be elected annually by the Association. In addition to these, there shall be appointed annually by the Moderator, an Executive Board of seven, an Educational Board of five, a Home Mission Board of five, and a Foreign Mission Board of five members.

ART. VI. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside during the deliberations of the body, to enforce an observance of the Constitution, preserve decorum, appoint committees, decide all questions of order, give his opinion concerning any subject under discussion after others have spoken or when called upon, and give the casting vote in case of a tie.

ART. VII. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to record the proceedings of each annual session, and superintend the printing and distribution of the minutes among the churches.

ART. VIII. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all funds sent up by the churches, or collected during the session of this body, and disburse the same for the purpose for which they were sent or collected. He shall make an annual report to the Association. He shall not pay any order drawn on the Treasury except it is signed by the Moderator and the Clerk of the Association, subject to the provisions in the By-Laws.

ART. IX. Any church desiring to become a member of this body shall present her petition at an annual session of the Association through delegates appointed for that purpose, and if the Association shall consent to receive her, the Moderator shall extend to the delegates the right hand of fellowship.

ART. X. The Association shall not maintain fellowship with any church or churches that neglect to preserve gospel order.

ART. XI. The Association may invite visiting brethren to seats, and extend to them all the privileges of the body save that of voting.

ART. XII. The annual session of this body shall commence on Wednesday before the third Sabbath in October, at such place as the Association may select.

ART. XIII. The ministers composing the Association shall hold three ministerial meetings a year, in such places as brethren may designate.

ART. XIV. We will receive no minister into this Association but those who have a good moral character.

ART. XV. We will withdraw the right hand of fellowship from every minister who walks disorderly and contrary to the gospel rule.

ART. XVI. Each church connected with this Association may continue its membership by paying three cents annually upon the head of each of its members. This fund shall be known as a Minute Fund. In addition to this, each church shall be asked annually to pledge certain amounts for missionary work and such other benevolent objects as the Association may undertake to carry forward.

ART. XVII. Baptist Missionary Societies within the bounds of this Association may become members of this Association by sending voluntary contributions. Each Society shall be entitled to one delegate.

ART. XVIII. By appointment of the Association, there shall be preached during each annual session an Introductory Sermon.

ART. XIX. This Constitution may be amended at any annual session by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

BY-LAWS.

SECTION 1. All moneys sent from churches, societies and individuals shall be acknowledged in the minutes of the Association.

SEC. 2. Before the final adjournment of the Association all the funds, notes, &c., shall be counted by the Finance Committee and Treasurer. The Treasurer shall give the Finance Committee a receipt for the amount placed in his hands.

SEC. 3. The Treasurer, before receiving any funds from the Association, shall give a justified bond for a sum double the amount of that which may come into his hands, for the faithful performance of the duties of his office.

SEC. 4. No missionary or agent of the Association shall be Treasurer.

SEC. 5. The Treasurer shall refund all money paid out otherwise than specified in the Constitution.

SEC. 6. After the expenses of the Association shall have been paid, the remaining associational funds shall be applied to such purpose as the Association shall direct. The Home Mission Board shall execute the plans adopted by the Association.

SEC. 7. The Treasurer shall turn over to his successor all funds, notes, books and papers belonging to the Association, as soon as his successor shall give a bond as specified in the above sections.

SEC. 8. Should the newly elected Treasurer in any case fail to qualify, the Finance Committee shall retain the funds and be held responsible for the same till a Treasurer elected by the Association or the Executive Board shall qualify.

SEC. 9. The Auditor shall audit the accounts of the Treasurer and make annual reports to the Association.

SEC. 10. The duties of the boards provided for in the Constitution shall be such as are usually performed by such boards in other similar bodies.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Call the meeting to order.
2. Address of Welcome.
3. Response by the Moderator.
4. Introductory Sermon.
5. Enrollment of Delegates.
6. Appointment of Committees :
 - (1.) Committee on Hours of Meeting, &c.
 - (2.) Committee on Letters.
 - (3.) Committee on Finance.
 - (4.) Committee on Resolutions.
 - (5.) Committee on Reception of New Churches.
6. Report of Executive Board.
7. Report of Missionary Board.
8. Report of Educational Board.
9. Report of Treasurer.
10. Report of other Committees.
11. Miscellaneous Business.
12. Address on Mission and Educational Work.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS AND THEIR POST OFFICES.	CLERKS AND THEIR POST OFFICES.	Sabbath of Worship.	Baptized.	Rec'd. by Letter.	Dismissed by Letter.	Restored.	Excommunicated.	Died.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Pastor's Salary.	Church Expenses.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Association Fund.	Value of Church Property.
Oak Grove,-----	{ John Jefferson, Raleigh, N. C.	{ D. J. Judins, Wilson's Mill, N. C.	4	2	--	--	1	3	20	31	51	\$ 45	\$ 1 24				\$ 1 53	\$ 100
Good Samaritan,	{ R. Johnson, Raleigh, N. C.	{ H. M. Jones, Auburn, N. C.	2	10	--	--	--	6	54	53	107	50	5 00				2 46	500
Lee's X Roads,			3	10	1	--	1	3	20	24	44	25					1 32	400
Green Hill,-----	{ E. B. Blake, Clayton, N. C.	{ A. Blake, Myatts Mill, N. C.	2	--	--	--	1	1	13	32	45	29	30				1 35	300
Selma,-----	{ E. B. Blake, Clayton, N. C.	{ N. B. Moore, Selma, N. C.	4	6	2	--	3	6	34	62	96	57	1 65				2 88	600
Springfield, ----	{ E. B. Blake, Clayton, N. C.	{ Lewis Haywood, Auburn, N. C.	1	18	--	1	10	15	93	147	240	120	1 10	2 80	1 02		4 05	800
Wake Bap. G've.	{ E. B. Blake, Clayton, N. C.	{ Allen Haywood, Garners, N. C.	3	26	--	--	--	--	104	111	215	75					6 45	600
Piney Grove,---	{ R. Johnson, Raleigh, N. C.	{ J. R. Sanders, Clayton, N. C.	--	25	--	--	--	--	49	78	127	80					3 83	500
Rock Spring,---	{ J. C. Poole, Raleigh, N. C.		2	8	--	--	--	--	7	9	16	15					33	25
Mt. Moriah,-----	{ John Jefferson, Raleigh, N. C.	{ R. J. Williams, Raleigh, N. C.	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	21						61	---
St. Mary, -----	{ John Jefferson, Kaleigh, N. C.	{ F. Snead, Wilson's Mill, N. C.	2	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	20						60	30

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